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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN PRESS TREATMENT OF HAMDI VISIT TO CAIRO

1. SUMMARY: EGYPTIAN PRESS TREATMENT OF MARCH 1-4 VISIT BY YAR COMMERCIAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN HAMDI TO EGYPT WAS STRAIGHTFORWARD, BUT WITHOUT EDITORIAL COMMENT. PHOTOS OF HAMDI AND PRESIDENT SADAT APPEARED ON FRONT PAGES OF LOCAL DAILIES AND VISIT WAS TREATED BY PRESS AS STATE OCCASION, BUT POLITICAL SUBSTANCE OF TALKS NOT MENTIONED IN PRESS. END SUMMARY

2. ARTICLES STATED THAT HAMDI ASKED FOR EGYPTIAN EXPERTS TO ASSIST YEMENI MININT (REQUEST REPORTEDLY APPROVED BY PRIMIN SALIM) AND AN AGREEMENT ON NUMBER OF EGYPTIAN TEACHERS WORKING IN YAR (WHILE IN CAIRO, HAMDI SIGNED DECREE RAISING SALARIES OF EGYPTIAN TEACHERS BY \$50 PER MONTH).

3. DURING INTERVIEWS WITH MILITARY EDITOR OF GUMHURIYYA, HAMDI DENIED STORIES CONCERNING YAR REFUSAL OF SOVIET
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ARMS SHIPMENT; "WE

ACCEPT ARMS FROM ANY SOURCE...SO LONG AS THIS AGREES WITH OUR OWN CIRCUMSTANCES AND CONDITIONS." DURING GUMHUYIYYA INTERVIEW WITH EGYPTIAN MAGAZINE AKHAR SA'A, HAMDI STATED THAT UNITY DISCUSSIONS WITH PDYR WERE MAKING PROGRESS AND THAT HAMDI WAS "OPTIMISTIC" ABOUT FUTURE RELATIONS BETWEEN SANA AND ADEN. DURING INTERVIEW ON CAIRO TELEVISION, CC CHAIRMAN STATED THAT YAR GRATEFUL FOR GENEROUS ARAB CONTRIBUTIONS TO YAR THREE-YEAR PLAN, AS WELL AS HELP AFFORDED BY VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. HAMDI DID NOT PROVIDE SPECIFIC FIGURES FOR DONATIONS.

4. COMMENT: LINE FROM YAR EMBASSY CAIRO IS THAT HAMDI-SADAT TALKS WERE SUCCESSFUL AND THAT YEMENIS WELL SATISFIED WITH RESULTS OF VISIT. HAMDI AND SADAT HAD 90-MINUTE TETE-A-TETE. AND APPARENTLY DISCUSSED PRIMARILY INTER-ARAB BIG PICTURE. YEMENIS OBVIOUSLY PLEASED WITH EGYPTIAN EFFORT TO TREAT HAMDI VISIT AS MAJOR STATE OCCASION (YEMENI FLAG WAS FLYING ON MANY MAIN CAIRO THOROUGHFARES). ALTHOUGH EGYPTIANS AND YEMENIS HAVE LITTLE OF SUBSTANCE TO DISCUSS, EGYPTIANS CAST HAMDI VISIT AS ANOTHER STEP IN INTER-ARAB DIALOGUE INAUGURATED BY SADAT VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA AND GULF STATES, AND YEMENIS APPEARED PLEASED TO BE INCLUDED IN EGYPTIAN PAN-ARAB STRATEGY.
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